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BLUE BOOK.

From this almost mythical volume we have extracted a portion of the testimony of Richard Blanshard, Esq., the first Governor of Vancouver's Island, as given before a committee of the House of Commons, June 15th, 1857. Hereafter we shall continue our extracts till the public are as well posted in the mysteries of the past history of the colony, as those here who have been the willing instruments of a barbarous monopoly.

"Had you any opportunity of forming an opinion of the productiveness of the coal mines of Vancouver's Island?—the coal mines which are now worked at Nanaimo were not discovered while I was there; there was a small quantity found up at Fort Rupert, and some miners were sent out; but the accounts which had been sent to England of these coal mines were so very much exaggerated that they soon gave over working them; the coal which had been reported three feet thick, was in reality, only about 15 or 16 inches; it had been found cropping out of a bank, and the Indians had dug out small quantities with their axes, with very great labor.

To what do you attribute the very limited resort of settlers to Vancouver's Island, which took place while you were there?—I think in a great measure to the restrictions which were upon their obtaining land.

What was the nature of those restrictions?—The high price.

What was the price?—A Pound an acre. Is not One Pound an acre the price generally charged for land in the colonial possessions of England?—It is in some parts; I believe it is in some parts of Australia; but it is not so in Canada or in New Brunswick.

Do you think that a low price of land, as a general system, is advantageous to a colony?—Perhaps hardly so low as it is sold in some of the North American colonies; but still One Pound an acre is very high, because it is far higher than it is sold in the United States immediately adjoining.

Mr. Grogan.] Can you state the rate at which the land is sold in the United States?—They were making free grants in Oregon.

Viscount Goderich.] You say that one of the great obstructions to settlement was the price of land; were there any other difficulties besides the price in the way of obtaining land in Vancouver's Island?—There was also a condition in the land sales that every purchaser of 100 acres should bring out five laborers from England, which of course to people who purchase it on the spot is an insuperable bar.

Were there facilities afforded for persons obtaining information as to the price of land and the portion in which it could be purchased, and things of that kind; supposing a settler went to Vancouver's Island from California, could he obtain that information with facility?—No, I really do

not know where he would have obtained it.

Did you ever hear of any instances of difficulties of this kind?—Yes; I remember that a man came from California who had been digging there; he was an Englishman from Cheshire; I think his name was Chamberlain, if I recollect rightly.

Mr. Edward Ellice.] Chancellor.—Chancellor; his name had quite escaped me. He said that he had been digging with a party of Englishmen, who were still in California, and that they had sent him to know upon what terms land was to be got in Vancouver's Island, with the idea of coming there and settling; that they wished to remain us British subjects. After being there for about a week he came to me and said that he was quite unable to obtain any information of any kind.

Mr. Roebuck.] Was there any survey of the island, or of any part of the island?—I believe some portion of it has been surveyed since.

But was there any when you were there?—Very little; there had been a survey of their own claim, commenced by the Hudson's Bay Company.

What do you mean by a "survey of their own claim"?—There was a portion of land which they marked out which was claimed by themselves. I think it was supposed to contain 10 square miles.

In what part of the Island was that?—Round Fort Victoria.

And that they claimed as their own property?—That they claimed as their own property.

I thought that all the Island was conceded to them?—True but then it was on condition of selling the land; this they claimed as their own reserve.

And this they would not sell?—this they did not intend to sell.

They would not sell it?—They would not sell it.

Was that round any part which was settled?—It was where the only settlement was except at Fort Rupert.

And they refused entirely to sell that land?—They refused to sell it.

Was that no obstruction to colonization?—I should say that it was a very great one.

Mr. Grogan.] Was there any money paid to the Colonial Exchequer for that ten miles of land by the Company?—I do not know whether any has been paid since; there was none paid at the time.

At the time of which you speak, the Company exercised the right of not selling any part of that land or allowing any settler to purchase it?—Yes.

Were there any of their own servants located on that ten miles?—Yes, two or three.

Did they purchase the land from the Company?—That I really cannot tell. I never heard of any money being paid.

Mr. Roebuck.] Have you a copy of your commission; I suppose you had a commission?—I lost all my papers coming home, in the Chardress; they were under water for several hours. I still have the parchment of my commission, but it is illegible. I imagine that there are copies in the Colonial Office.

Viscount Goderich.] What salary did you receive from the Company as Governor of Vancouver's Island?—None whatever.

Did you receive no remuneration for your services in that capacity?—Nothing whatever. I was promised 1,000 acres of land when I went out.

Mr. Roebuck.] By whom?—By Sir John Pelly, who was then the Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company. When I was leaving the island, a servant, who had gone with me from England, was rather anxious to remain there as a settler, and I claimed 100 acres of those 1,000. Mr. Douglas, who was the agent for the land there, nominally evaded giving me any kind of title to it, and said that I should get it more easily settled in England. The Hudson's Bay Company declined to make it over to me, and said that those 1,000 acres of land were merely intended for the Governor for the time being.

So that he was to enjoy the wild waste while he lived there?—Exactly so.

And to get no property in the land?—Yes. Were you given to understand that when you went there?—No, certainly not, because Sir John Pelly had told me that I might select such portions of land as I thought would turn out valuable, and that they would sell advantageously.

Have you any evidence that Sir John Pelly said that; have you any writing?—It is merely what passed between him and myself.

He did not put it upon paper?—He did not.

Had you any salary from the Crown?—None whatever; the charter to the Hudson's Bay Company provided that they should pay all civil and military expenses.

Had you no salary from the Hudson's Bay Company?—None whatever.

So that you passed your two years there and got nothing by it?—Nothing whatever. All that I ever received from the Hudson's Bay Company was £175 for my passage out there, and it cost me about £300.

Did anybody pay your passage back?—I had a free passage as far as San Francisco by a sloop of war; the rest of the passage was at my own expense.

Chairman.] Do you mean that you accepted the governorship of this colony, with the understanding that you were to receive nothing whatever for your services in that respect?—Nothing at the first beginning. I was certainly led to believe that colonial settlers would flock out there; that all facilities would be given to them; and that of course as the colony increased a civil list would be formed; that the land sales and the royalties on the coal would produce a considerable colonial revenue.

Mr. Grogan.] And those expectations, with the grant of 1,000 acres of land, to be selected by yourself, were your inducements for going to the colony?—Just so, and moreover I also hoped that my services would be considered by Her Majesty's Government afterwards.

Viscount Goderich.] Did you find living there cheap or dear?—It cost me as nearly as possible £1,100 a year to live there; the price of everything was regulated by that of California, and as the gold fever was then at its height, living there was of course extremely expensive.

I believe that the Hudson's Bay Company's servants receive their goods at a cheaper rate than the rest of the colony, do they not?—I think they had three several prices in the Hudson's Bay Company's stores at that time, one for the superior officers of the Company, another for the servants, and a third which they called their cash price, at which they sold the goods to settlers.

Can you state to the Committee the difference between these three prices?—The officers received their goods at 33 per cent. increase upon the cost price, the servants and inferior officers varying from 50 to 100 and the cash price was regulated by the price in California, as nearly as they could do it.

How much was that?—Generally about 300 per cent.

You being Governor of Vancouver's Island, at which of those prices did you purchase your goods?—At the cash price, as a stranger.

That is at about 300 per cent. above cost price?—Yes.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—Allow me to enquire through your Journal, whether a certain person in this town obtained a permit to export twenty-seven thousand gallons of liquor into British Columbia, while the duty was ten per cent ad valorem, and that subsequently and after the duty was raised to one dollar per gallon specific. The said permit so obtained previous to the change in the revenue, has been, at various periods of time, used to cover the exportation of liquors into British Columbia, and upon different vessels. If such has been the case, I call upon the Crown officers of British Columbia, to investigate the matter, that all parties implicated in such transaction may be brought to speedy justice.

Victoria, 21st May, 1859. SPARTAN.

FAVOR TO INDIANS.—NO PROTECTION TO STOCK OWNERS.

TO THE EDITOR COLONIST:

I wish to draw your attention and that of the public to the case of the Indians, who were charged with shooting cattle belonging to Mr. Mark Coles of Saanitch. After great expense to the Colony in arresting these men, they were taken before Mr. Justice Pemberton, who has thought proper to adjudicate on the charge of felony, by sentencing them to one month's imprisonment, with hard labor. Had a white man committed an offence of this kind, he would have been committed for trial, and if guilty, a severe sentence would have been passed on him. But the Indians, who are well aware of the offence they have committed, are let off, almost scot free, with good living.

What authority has Mr. P. to pass sentence on any person charged with felony? Are we to allow him to set aside the due course of law, and impose an inadequate punishment for so grave a crime, when he has no jurisdiction? What protection is there for the owners of cattle, if these depredations are allowed to pass off with a nominal punishment, inflicted at the discretion of Mr. P. or any other magistrate? AN OLD STOCK OWNER.

Victoria, May 21st, 1859.

Every day we hear of depredations committed by the Indians, in the rural districts behind Victoria. Cattle are shot down, and the wives and children of farmers threatened by armed bands of Indians patrolling the country. This requires immediate attention from the authorities, and an adequate punishment inflicted on them, else we shall never be able to settle up the interior. The custom of permitting arms and ammunition to be sold to the Indians should be prohibited under a severe penalty. In no other part of British America, except the Hudson's Bay Company's territories, is such a thing permitted. Their own skill has provided them with enough implements of destruction, to secure for themselves a living, and self-preservation on our part, should put an effectual stop to such a pernicious practice, as selling them arms.

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THE INTOLERANCE OF THE GOVERNMENT

In our last issue we took occasion to notice the intolerance on religious matters which prevails in the administration of the government of this colony, and to the instances there mentioned we might have added the conduct of Gov. Douglas towards the Roman Catholics in reference to a site for their church. The public is aware that there is a body of gentlemen in this colony resembling somewhat the ancient Star Chamber. This body is known as or called the Legislative Council, though it partakes of the character of an Executive Council. It sits with closed doors, and the representatives of the press are not admitted to hear its proceedings although it exercises all the functions of a parliamentary body like the House of Assembly, and therefore ought to be as much amenable to public report and criticism as that House. For the admission of the press to parliamentary bodies, although originally used and long regarded as a courteous right has, like many other concessions, continued so long as to become a precedent and may be said to have woven itself into the British Constitution. There can be no reasonable doubt therefore of the usual right of admission of the press to the Legislative Council, and its denial is an infringement of the rights of the people for whom it makes laws.

The Secretary or Clerk to this Council is the Rev. Edward Cridge, a clergyman of the established Church of England, and the minister of the district, a gentleman against whom we have not one word to say, but on the other hand, for whom as far as we know him, we have a great respect. Although acting and recognised as the Secretary of the Legislative Council—we say nothing about his salary, as we believe that is a small matter of £150 per annum—he nevertheless takes a very active part in the debates and observations that pass across the Council table, and as he peruses and amends bills, (for we saw a bill in the House bearing his calligraphic emendations,) he no doubt, and in many things it would be a pity if he did not—advises on them, and uses no small influence in their passage or stoppage—the liquor bill for instance—through the Council, and which for aught we know may re-act again on some of the members of the lower House. The Council has no lawyer at its table, so that probably the functions of Mr. Cridge may also partake of those duties performed by the Ecclesiastical Chancellors of old, before the rules of equity had been refined into a legal system. However, be this as it may, there can be no doubt that a clergyman of the Church of England is practically an active, and no doubt very able member of the Legislative Council. We know that in former times the “Scribes” were no inconsiderable body in the promulgation and interpretation of the law, but their appellation is frequently placed in a juxtaposition with an old sect to whose name, on the present occasion, we will not allude, as it might be thought intended to convey an idea which we do not design by any means to imply. It will be no harm however to say that the monks and friars of olden times from their being nearly the only men who could read and write, were much in request, on ac-

count of their erudition, among the nobles and princes of those times, when learning was a of very limited character.

But however charitable we may desire to be, we cannot entertain so mean an opinion of the Legislative Council of Vancouver's Island, as to bring it within the terms of the historical period to which we have alluded, and this fact taken in connection with other matters hereinafter alluded to, induces us to doubt the propriety of a clergyman of the Church of England or of any other denomination or sect, filling the position and wielding the Legislative influence which we know he does. In order to reconcile Mr. Cridge's position in that Council to our mind, we have endeavored to fancy that body a House of Lords, and himself a bishop; but we found this assumption, [for our part,] of the position, to be so at variance with our political notions, that we have had to give it up, and arrive at the conclusion, that the position of the Reverend gentleman—however advantageous in some respects—is a very anomalous one when viewed by itself, and of a very invidious one when compared with the positions “below the gangway” of Reverend gentlemen of other denominations.

We do not insinuate that Mr. Cridge would take advantage of his position to act unfairly towards the ministers of other churches, now existing in this Christian community, but we know the Reverend gentleman is a faithful pastor, and zealous over the interests of his Church. How could he be otherwise, and if in the protection or conservancy—we would not say aggrandizement—of his Church, everybody else's Church was a little pushed aside or did not come in for its share of the Legislative wisdom, the Reverend gentleman's position would certainly excuse him.

The Wesleyans complain that they have not been fairly treated in reference to the Religious Trustee Bill, by not having their rights under their own deed of incorporations respected, and that the present Bill lays them on the bed of Procrustes. Other denominations will, no doubt, make similar complaints, and Mr. Cridge will be pointed to when, as was the case, the implied representative of the Government and Council in the assembly, defends the Church of England Bill—for by that appellation it will have to be termed in consequence of its inapplicability to the Churches of other Christian sects.

NATURALISATION OF ALIENS.—Governor Douglas, since our last issue, has issued another Proclamation in which he makes a provision for the oath to be taken by foreign Jews. The Proclamation is very unskillfully prepared, especially this portion of it, and was evidently drawn up somewhat in a hurry, and ante-dated. He has mixed up the Quakers with the Jews in a very clumsy manner, whether it was to disguise his forced concession to members of that body, or to relieve himself from the imputation of our having forced him into this concession we do not know, but here is the way in which the representative of Her Majesty deals with such an important subject. The Quakers have nothing to do with “oaths,” much less with the oath proscribed for Jews by the Imperial Parliament:—

“If any of the persuasion of people called Quakers, or any other person under this or any other law permitted to make his solemn declaration or affirmation in lieu of an oath, or any person professing the Jewish religion, shall at any time be required by any lawful authority, or shall be desirous for any purpose to take the oath of allegiance, or any form of oath containing the words “And I make this declaration on the true faith of a Christian,” shall be omitted in the form of oath to be taken, or the declaration or affirmation in lieu of an oath to be made by such person, &c.”

A miserable subterfuge, to conceal a forced concession to the Jews!

HOW THE LAND GOES.

In no country was there ever greater corruption than in this. Every day more of it is coming to light, and continually the evidence accumulates showing the necessity for a thorough cleansing of that Augean stable, the land department. The Colonial Surveyor in his testimony before the Supreme Court, has given positive evidence of not being it for the position he fills, of doing that which in any other country would be sufficient to peremptorily remove him, and consign him to private life, with the indelible brand of “thou unfaithful servant.” But in this, as the pliant tool of the Executive he is permitted to continue, and do acts “before high heaven, that would make the angels weep.” It appears that on the 13th of March 1857, he issued an instalment paper calling for 20 acres of land constituting the site of the Albert Head saw mill. In July 1858, the ordinance of the Governor and Council, permitting lands to be pre-empted and not making any charge for rocky ground—was repealed. Notwithstanding the repeal of the ordinance, Mr. Pemberton gave to Mr. Finlayson, January 1st, 1859 an instalment paper for 359 acres of land on a pre-emption for 20 acres, and threw into the bargain 541 acres of rocky land! In addition it appears from his evidence that no payment had ever been made on account of the 20 acre pre-emption. On examination we find that Mr. Chief Factor Finlayson, is allowed by Mr. Pemberton to take 900 acres of public land contrary to law. In the first place he has violated the fixed regulation, by granting a pre-emption claim on this 20 acres without the usual instalment being paid; secondly, he has violated the ordinance by increasing the quantity of land from 20 to 359 acres; thirdly, he has set aside the repealing of the ordinance allowing pre-emption, by taking £20 of Mr. Finlayson, on Jan. 1, '59; fourthly, he has paid no regard to the repealing of the ordinance which permitted him to make an allowance for rocky lands, but has given away 541 acres for rocks; and two reliable gentlemen inform us that they have been over the land, and that they believe there is not more than 12 acres of rocky ground in the 900. Now if such acts as these are not enough to damn any public servant in an enlightened community, we know not what will! The public will do well to remark that Mr. Pemberton acknowledges on oath, that he is one of the shareholders in the sawmill claim. Have not the people just cause to ask the Home Government to turn out every official from the Governor down, who has any interest in the Hudson Bay Company, and any complicity in this outrage against the ordinance of the Governor and Council, and the rights of the inhabitants of the colony?

THE LAND SYSTEM OF THE COLONY OF VICTORIA.—The Government of this, the most important Colony in Australia, or, perhaps, in the world, has brought forward a Land System, of which the following is an outline. It will be seen that the great doctrine of “free selection” has been recognized:—

- 1. That large areas of agricultural land shall be proclaimed near the chief centres of population, within which areas, ordinary farm lots, in no case exceeding 320 acres, will be open to selection by bona fide settlers, without auction, at a fixed rate of £1 per acre.
- 2. That within these areas, the unsold land shall constitute a free commonage for the settlers, subject to regulations to be made in an agricultural municipality.
- 3. That an enlarged municipal system be constructed, embracing agricultural districts, as well as towns, under which system the inhabitants will possess a direct control over the local expenditure for public purposes, at present delayed out of the general revenue, such municipalities to obtain a certain proportion of endowment out of the public estate, and the power of levying an equitable taxation on fixed property, in lieu of the grants in aid, now provided for out of the revenue.

“4. That common pasturage be allowed by law to the inhabitants of all towns and gold fields where Crown land exists.

“5. That water frontages throughout the interior be reserved in perpetuity for public use.

“6. That all auriferous land be reserved from sale.

“7. That all town and suburban lands, and such other lands as may be rendered peculiarly valuable by their position, shall continue to be sold at public auction, and that provision be made for bona fide settlers who may require larger allotments than are provided for in the agricultural areas.

“8. That at a period to be fixed by law all preferable occupancy of the public domain by the pastoral tenants now in possession, shall absolutely cease and determine.

“9. That in the meantime the pastoral tenants shall continue to receive an annual licence revocable on such notice, and held at such rent, as the Legislature may determine.”

The United States Frigate Merrimac, has been ordered to this station. We understand that it is the intention of the United States Government to keep a ship of war on here, for the protection of American interests.

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JOHN T. LITTLE & CO.
HENRY ORMERD.

Victoria, May 21st, 1859.—my23-2

NOTICE.

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UP RIVER NEWS.

The steamers Enterprise, Beaver and Eliza Anderson, arrived in on Saturday with a large number of passengers. The Enterprise brought 57, the Beaver 12, and the Anderson 52, making a total of 121. The Enterprise brought down \$8000, and the Anderson \$2000, in dust. We are informed that a large number of miners are on their way down. The Anderson leaves to-morrow morning.

THE CONCERT OF SATURDAY EVENING.—The Philharmonic Society gave its second concert on last Saturday evening to a crowded house, at the Assembly Rooms. The pieces selected were by some of the acknowledged masters, and each subject rendered with taste and feeling. The Society may congratulate itself on its rapid success, to which they are mainly indebted to their zealous conductor Mr. John Bailey. The introduction by the band of H. M. S. *Tribune* from Ernani, was somewhat lengthy for so few instruments. Mr. Bessent, the band master, performed his Cornet solo from Suppe, artistically. The quartettes were each finely executed, and vociferously applauded. The duet by Madame Hautier and Mademoiselle La Blache, "La patrie des Hironnelles" was successfully performed. "Mary of Argye" a plaintive ballad by Mad. Hautier was encored. We regret very much the illness of Mr. Bushby who was prevented from singing "Far down a valley lonely." The Trio "Myn Herr Van Dunk" by Messrs. Begbie, Potter and Bushby, was effectively executed.—the superior basso of Mr. Begbie vies with that of Pottosini. "El balen del suo Sorriso," a gem from the opera of *Il Trovatore*, a magnificent production from Verdi, figured conspicuously as the finest piece of the evening, and also the "Jewish Maiden" by Kueken, which were each performed by Mr. Crowley in an artistic style. The musical prodigy, Master John Bayley, son of the Conductor, full of confidence, executed his violin and piano solos with great success. The solo and chorus "Over the green sea," by Mr. Selim Franklin, was well performed; also the "Di Piscatore," from Lucretia Borgia, by Mr. Lunley Franklin, was sung with good taste. The several choruses from Balfe, Rossini, Auber and others were all encored. We recommend the Society to augment the number of their performers; we understand that there are nearly one hundred members of which there are only ten or twelve performing members apparently. Much credit is due them for their assiduity. The concert closed with the national anthem.

PORT OF ENTRY—Queenborough will soon be the only Port of Entry for British Columbia. It is said however, that some regulation will be made to allow duties to be paid here, on goods going to Fort Simpson.

DESTRUCTION OF WHARF STREET—Why are the Hudson's Bay Company allowed to cut away nearly 50 feet of Wharf street opposite the Fort? Do they design blocking up the street with buildings, the same as View street has been stopped, to the injury of the public?

RETURNED MINERS.—It is estimated that there are about 200 returned miners in Victoria, waiting for the arrival of the San Francisco steamer.

TO-MORROW being the Queen's Birthday, the public offices will be closed. There will be good races on Beacon Hill, and a Dinner at the Royal Hotel in the evening.

REAL ESTATE.—Messrs. Franklin, & Co., the real estate auctioneers, put up some lots on Yate, Fort, and View streets, on Saturday, but they were withdrawn, there being no competition.

SELECT SCHOOL.—We would call the attention of parents and others to the select school of Mr. Silversmith, Broad street, near Yates. Some thirty scholars are now under instructions, and progressing rapidly in their studies.

FINLAYSON VS. DUNCAN.—In publishing the testimony in our last issue, in this case, given by J. D. Pemberton, Esq., we overlooked a very important question and answer. As it is the key to the way in which the affairs of the Land Department have been managed, it cannot but prove interesting to the public.

Question: "When was this instalment on the pre-emption claim paid, and what amount?"

Answer: "It was paid on the 1st. January, 1859, by Mr. Finlayson, £20 being the first instalment on 359 acres, the balance of the 900 acres being principally rock, I allowed it for nothing."

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.—The Branch of this Bank has taken premises for the conduct of business. The Directors in this town are Messrs. Wood, Watson and Jackson.

CHINAMEN.—We hear that a large number of Chinamen are on their way to this country from China.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL.

VICTORIA, 23d May.
We have no improvement to report in commercial matters during the past week; on the other hand, they have had a downward tendency. This has been caused by the continual and steady return of miners from the upper country, and the unsettlement which appears to prevail as to the extent of the auriferous deposits in that region. All our mercantile men, without exception, attribute the present state of things to the conduct of the Government last year, when it placed restrictions on trade, and sacrificed every consideration to that of the Hudson Bay Company's interest. At that time and the succeeding period, our prosperity and speedy development were almost entirely dependant on California, but those influences which would have served us well in the commencement of our career, were, as is well known, strangled by the selfishness and prejudices of the ruling powers, and it is unquestionably from these effects we are now suffering. The immigration from California and the adjacent territories has been frowned down, and those miners who have gone into the country, get disgusted with the rule and policy which was adopted. One great remedy for the evils under which we are now languishing, is a change in the political administration of the Government, by its being placed in able, competent and liberal hands, and as this will have to be done sooner or later, the sooner for the sake of the suffering commerce of the country, the better. Not the least error in the policy of Gov. Douglas was to cut his face against immigration from California. If he desired to get up from England and Australia, he ought to have invited the first resources that were at hand, which would probably have been attended with such results as to have induced immigration from the quarter he desired. But the first chance has been destroyed, and consequently the progress of these colonies has been, and will be retarded for a long period. The amount of gold dust which has been received from the mines during the last week, may be roughly estimated at \$3000. The rates of freight to Fort Hope may be quoted at \$10 per ton, and of passage, \$5 to \$8.

Marine Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, V.I.

ARRIVALS.

May 20—Schr. Eclipse, Barrington, Port Townsend.
May 20—Schr. Amalia, Thornton, Port Townsend.
May 20—Schr. J. Caswell, Taylor, Port Townsend.
May 21—Schr. Lewis, Langley.
Schr. Elizabeth, Melvin, Langley.
Schr. Enterprise, Langley.

CLEARANCES.

May 20—Sloop J. C. Caswell, Taylor, Port Townsend.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR PORT HOPE, PORT DOUGLAS, QUEENBOROUGH & LANGLEY.

The Steamer ELIZA ANDERSON, Captain Wm. A. Master, will leave Myers' Wharf on TUESDAY Morning, May 24th, at 5 A. M., connecting at Langley with the steamer Maria, for Port Hope and the Boucaux.

Freight to Hope, . . . \$10 per ton.
Freight to Port Douglas, \$18 per ton.
Passage to Hope, . . . \$10
Passage to Port Douglas, \$12

For further particulars inquire on board, or to E. F. BOYCE, Agent, Myers' Wharf.

WILLIAM ZEINER,
Government street, between Yates and Johnson sts.

IS CONSTANTLY IN RECEIPT OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PERFUMERY, FANCY AND TOILET ARTICLES.

A full supply of all the PATENT MEDICINES. Orders from the inferior filled with dispatch, and at the lowest market prices.

Particular attention paid to the Prescription Department. WM. ZEINER, Druggist and Apothecary.

NOTICE.
A MEETING of the Creditors of WILLIAM BOWEN, of Kingston, July, will be held on Monday next, the 23d inst., at 10 o'clock P. M., at the Law Chambers of Mr. John Copland, corner of Government and Yates sts. (the Johnson's Building), when a statement of the affairs of the said William Bowen, will be submitted to the meeting.

Victoria, 17th May, 1859—m22-21

ROBERT C. JANION,
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Drilling Steel, Shoe Shapes, Horse Nails,
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Have just received a large stock of

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Alcohol,
Camphene,
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Window Glass,
White Lead,
Lined Oil,
Paints,
Turpentine,
Varnishes,
Brushes,
Nitric Acid,
Quicksilver,
Iron Retorts and
Crucibles,
Garden Seeds, Fruit, Flower, & field Seeds.

— ALSO —
A select stock of

FAMILY MEDICINES

— AND —
FANCY GOODS.

Which they sell at the LOWEST PRICES.

WINDOW GLASS Cut to all Sizes.

Orders from the country will be filled on the most favorable terms, and at the LOWEST CASH PRICES.

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Porter, Ale, Wines, Whiskey, &c.
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HOT WHISKY PUNCHES, of the best quality, always ready to order, and a comfortable room to sit down in and enjoy it.

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SILVERSMITH, Principal.—Corner of Broadway and Yates streets, Victoria. Paedagogical and artistic education in this Institute, children of both sexes, from the age of five years and upwards are successfully instructed in the elementary branches of an English education—and free from sectarianism. Private Tuition in the French, German, Spanish and English languages. Music—Piano, Violin, Guitar and Singing.

FOR QUEENBOROUGH & LANGLEY

Twice a Week—Tuesday and Friday

THE STEAMER ELIZA ANDERSON, Captain Wm. A. Master, will leave Victoria, Queenborough Island, for Queenborough and Langley, on FRASER RIVER every TUESDAY and FRIDAY MORNING, at 6 o'clock.

No Freight will be received after the evening previous to the day of departure.

For further information, apply to the Captain on board at Myers' Wharf.

Victoria, April 1st, 1859. a231f

SEWING MACHINES.

MRS. ETHEREDGE, having been appointed by Wheeler & Wilson as their Agent for the sale of their family Sewing Machines at Victoria, is now ready to fill any order. Machines with the very latest improvements can be had of her. Money payable in Victoria. Instructions given free of charge. Humboldt street, near foot of Government. m29-1m

JUST RECEIVED.

AND for Sale by the undersigned, at his office at the foot of Johnson street, opposite Wharf Street, Coffee, Gunny Bags, Corned Beef, Raisins, Currants, Vinegar, Fancy Biscuits, Marilla Coffee, Bids Pitch, Bids Fat, Brown Sugar, small pieces, Hattled Axes, New Machines for Lathes, Druses, Printed Cottons, Silk Handkerchiefs, trunks English Shoes, &c. &c.

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WHARFAGE.

WHARFAGE, from this time forward, at Esquimalt, will be Fifty Cents per Ton, on freight landed from steamers and sailing vessels.

W. SELLECK.

TOWN LOTS

QUEENBOROUGH, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Will take place at Victoria, Vancouver's Island, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st of June, at the office of Mr. S. FRANKLIN, Auctioneer, from whom particulars may be obtained hereafter.

By order of Lieut. Governor and Chief Commissioner of Land and Works.

my16f ROBERT BURNABY, Secy.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Fort Hope, Fort Yale, Port Douglas.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

TOWN LOTS In the above Towns will be sold by Auction at the respective places, without delay. Full particulars may be obtained, and plans inspected, on application as undermentioned:

FORT HOPE—Mr. Smith, J. P.

FORT YALE—C. Brew Esq. Gold Commissioner, &c.

PORT DOUGLAS—C. S. Nicol, Esq., J. P. and Sheriff for British Columbia.

By order of the Lieut. Governor and Chief Commissioner of Land and Works.

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100 CASES CLARET, For sale by

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Victoria, V. I.

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NOTICE.

THE ISRAELITES of this city are respectfully invited to attend the meeting at Mr. Simpson's Store, on Yates street, near the House, at 3 o'clock P. M., on Sunday, 22d inst., for the purpose of procuring a suitable place for a Burying Ground.

W. BLACKMAN, } Committee.
J. A. BRUNS, }

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NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBERS having leased from the Government those extensive Line Quarries in the vicinity of Craig Flower, would respectfully inform the public that they are now prepared to deliver Lime to any part of the city at reasonable rates. All orders left at Mr. W. P. Saywood's or Messrs. Lester & Gibbs will be thankfully received and promptly attended to.

My 7th-1m F. RICHARD & CO.

FOR SALE.

35 TIERCES FINE CORNED BEEF, at 7 cents per pound.

COLT'S REVOLVERS at prices less than in California, suitable for parties fitting up for the South.

Apply to H. B. LITTLE, at the Hotel de France, my18-2* or at the Wharf of J. T. Little, Wharf st.

MANILLA CORDAGE, assorted sizes, For sale by my16-1m R. C. JANION.

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EAST INDIA RICE, in small packages, For sale by my16-1m R. C. JANION.

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LOAF and CRUSHED SUGAR, in half boxes and half barrels. For sale by my16-1m R. C. JANION.

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MOLASSES and SYRUP in 5 gal. kegs. For sale by my16-1m R. C. JANION.

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LOTS IN NEARLY EVERY PART OF THE CITY FOR SALE.
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An Invoice of Saddlery, received per ship Guadalete from London—consisting of superior stitched and quilted hogskin saddles, bridles, riding whips, harness, collars, trace chains, etc.

Pistol Holsters, with surcingle and patent leather flourcases.

— ALSO —

75 1-16ths "Marett Freres" Cognac, and Old Tom. Retorts, magnets, gold dust bags, etc. mh12

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Of this popular material for bedding we have an ample stock on hand, which we offer either by the bale or in bedding, at steady prices. It is universally conceded to be equal to feathers, and better than curled hair for this climate, at half the price of either. Our arrangements with the sole importer of it for California, are such that we are enabled to sell lower than it can be had elsewhere. Straw Mattresses—wholesale and retail; Curled hair do., made to order. j16

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ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, between 7 and 9 o'clock, a BILL OF SALE and TRANSFER of a House and twenty acres of Land. The papers are supposed to have been lost between Yates and Government streets. For further particulars, and reward, apply at this office

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Purchasers desiring anything connected with the above business, are invited to try his establishment, which he flatters himself will compare favorably with any other on the Pacific coast. MARTEN PRIG,
Victoria, V. I., and 18 Clay st., San Francisco. j26

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Beer delivered in any part of the town of Victoria free of charge.

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March 19th.

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S. I. Sugar, various qualities,
S. I. Coffee, extra quality;
Syrops and Molasses,
Pulu, a very superior article for bedding,
Sweet Potatoes, Beans,
Pork, Pickled Tongues, etc., etc.

R. C. JANION.

March 11, 1859.

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Shippers of goods will find it to their advantage to give us early notice of any orders for goods sent, as we will thereby be enabled to fill up smaller vessels without delay.

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